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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. On 21 April 1952, the barracks installations in Ebersdorf-Ost and Ebersdorf-West near Chemnitz (N 51/K 66) were occupied to capacity. The lights at the installation were sometimes on in the evening depending on whether the troops were out for night practices. During the period from 14 to 21 April, 150 to 200 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and some black-bordered black epaulets, were daily engaged in training with rifles, submachine guns and field telephones, entrenching and field training, precision and long-range throwing of hand grenades and firing practice in the barracks yards and in the training area just north of the barracks installations. Small-scale combat practices against a unit enemy with a strength of up to 200 men extended as far as the edge of Gloesa. 25X1B
- vehicles driving to, and from, the installations

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3. During the period from 15 to 19 April, the troops quartered in the Artillerie Kaserne and the Infanterie Kaserne on Leninstrasse left at night on 15 April for the railroad station with three trucks each occupied by 40 to 50 men with

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rifles and submachine guns; [redacted] occupied by 40 to 50 men wearing black-bordered crimson epaulets and carrying rifles and submachine guns left the Artillerie Kaserne for the railroad station on 16 April; and three trucks each occupied by 40 to 50 men moved to the railroad station on 17, 18 and 19 April. No heavy weapons were seen with any of these troops. No activity was observed in the two barracks installations after 20 April and only a few windows were lighted in the evenings. Individual patrols were seen in the billeting area. \*\*\*

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Comment. For previous reports, see [redacted]

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Comment. The present report is in contradiction to a report of another source who stated that the two barracks installations were occupied to capacity during the period from 17 to 23 April. However, some components of the 6th (?) Gds AAA Div were transferred to Koenigsbrueck, others to Mustraw in early April. See [redacted]

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